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STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., MAY 10[™], 2012, A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 10th day of May, 2012, A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, Cheryl Celotto is a resident of the Town of Tonawanda, the mother of two daughters and a proud grandmother; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Celotto is a Registered Nurse, and has worked as a nurse at Millard Fillmore Hospital at Gates Circle and later at University Gynecologists and Obstetricians; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Celotto in 1983 joined the United States Army in the Army Nurse Corps and advanced in rank, first to Lieutenant Colonel in 2004 and five years later to Colonel; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Celotto was deployed in 1990 to the Middle East for Operation Desert Storm, stationed in Oman; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Celotto in 2002 served in the Iraq War, stationed in Baquba and serving with the 1982nd Forward Surgical Team, not only treating severely wounded troops, but serving under continual enemy fire; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Celotto received the Army Commendation Medal, two Meritorious Services medals and in March of 2012 the Legion of Merit Honor, presented to her at the Army Reserve Center in Shoreham, Suffolk County; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Celotto retired from the military in 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to recognize and honor **Cheryl Celotto** during National Military Appreciation Month for her dedication and unselfish service to her country.

Kevin R. Hardwick Erie County Legislator -4th District

Robert M. Graber Clerk of the Legislature